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HAIR CURLER, HAIR WAVE DEVICE USING THE SAME, AND HAIR

WAVE APPLICATION METHOD USING SAID DEVICE

<u>PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(b)</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached.

Documents AF-AL were cited in an International Search Report dated December 9, 2003. A copy of the search report is also enclosed.

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of this application, and that the documents cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record therein and appear on the first page of any patent to issue therefrom.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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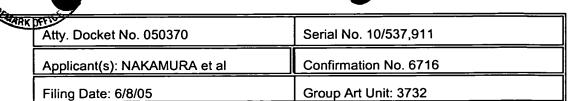
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 AG	3045250	11/5/97	JP	no, see search report
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